

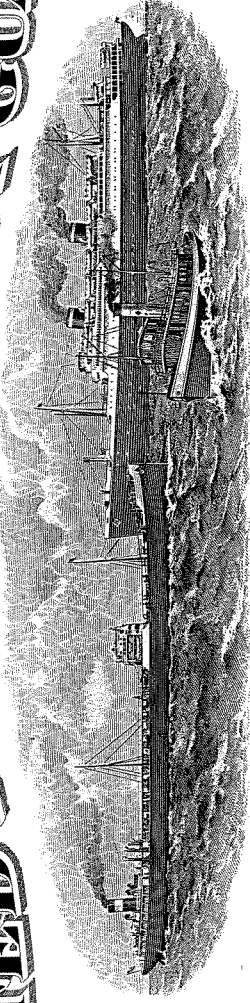
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UNITED STATES COAST GUARD



TO U. S. MERCHANT MARINE OFFICER

\*\*\* RODDY LUKE LACOUR \*\*\*

*This is to certify that*  
*having been duly examined and found competent by the*  
*undersigned is licensed to serve as* MASTER OF TOWING VESSELS  
UPON GREAT LAKES AND INLAND WATERS AND WESTERN RIVERS EXCEPTING  
WATERS SUBJECT TO THE INTERNATIONAL REGULATIONS FOR PREVENTING  
COLLISIONS AT SEA, 1972; ALSO RADAR OBSERVER - UNLIMITED (RADAR  
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This license expires on the 26th day  
of December, 2006

*for the term of five years from this date.*

*Given under my hand this* 26TH *day of* DECEMBER 2001

NEW ORLEANS, LA

C. F. TRÉPAGNIER, BY DIRECTION

Port

*Officer in Charge of Marine Inspection*

## MEMO

TO: All Licensed and/or Documented Mariners  
FR: MFV, CH  
DA: 8/16/06  
RE: Extension of time for renewal of USCG Credentials

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Please see the attached notice from the Federal Register. This notice states the following:

If a credential in a mariner's possession has expired or will expire between August 29, 2005, and April 1, 2007, and the credential indicates that either the mariner's home of record is in Alabama, Mississippi, or Louisiana, [and] that the credential was issued at New Orleans, LA, then that credential, together with a copy of th[e attached] Notice, will serve as a valid credential until the Coast Guard issues the mariner a renewal or upgraded credential, or for one year from the original expiration date indicated on the credential in the mariner's possession, whichever occurs first.

Note that STCW certificates are NOT extended. The STCW credential must be renewed by the stated expiration date. The Coast Guard also suggests in the notice that mariners should begin the renewal process one year prior to the date that the license and/or MMD expires due to the lengthy delays being experienced at the Regional Examination Centers (REC). Do NOT rely on the extension granted to current license holders affected by Katrina to prevent expiration of your license.

**Renew one year prior to expiration.** Your renewal could possibly take longer than a year if you have medical problems or have other certain issues. Because REC New Orleans will no longer do renewals or issue waivers, these will be handled at the new National Maritime Center's central location in Martinsburg, WVA. The NMC may take a year (or possibly more) before it issues a medical waiver or any other waiver.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Mike Vitt at (504) 828-7178.

e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gary Becker 202-282-9073 (this is not a toll free number).

#### Analysis

**Agency:** Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Secretary, Private Sector Office.

**Title:** Disaster Recovery Survey of Businesses.

**OMB Number:** 1601-NEW.

**Frequency:** One-time collection.

**Affected Public:** Business owners and managers in region impacted by a disaster.

**Number of Respondents:** 2000 per year.

**Estimated Time Per Respondent:** 15 minutes.

**Total Burden Hours:** 500 hours.

**Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):** \$0.00.

**Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):** \$0.00.

**Description:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Office of Policy, Private Sector Office will distribute a written survey instrument to business owners and managers impacted by a natural or man-made disaster. Distribution and collection will occur within two months of the event. The survey contains general questions about losses incurred by the business as a result of the disaster, as well as progress made in the initial recovery. All information will be compiled for analysis and reported only at the aggregate level. Results of the analysis will be used to gauge the economic impact of the disaster as well as the effectiveness of recovery efforts. Participation will be voluntary and also provide an opportunity for the private sector to inform the Department of Homeland Security about major issues and concerns with the recovery process.

**Scott Charbo,**

*Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

[USCG-2005-22541]

#### Merchant Mariner Credentials: Temporary Procedures

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of validity for merchant mariner credentials.

**SUMMARY:** On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina devastated the coastlines of Alabama, Mississippi, and Louisiana. The Regional Examination Center (REC) at New Orleans, which provided credentialing services to approximately 29,000 mariners in those three states and 14 percent of mariners nationwide, was completely flooded, destroying vital records and equipment and rendering the facility inoperable for a considerable period of time. As a result, many mariners in the area are in possession of merchant mariner's documents, licenses and/or certificates of registry (collectively referred to as "credentials") that either have expired or may expire before the Coast Guard will be able to process these mariners' applications for renewal or upgraded credentials. With the authority Congress has granted, the Coast Guard is temporarily extending the expiration dates for credentials of eligible mariners for up to one year.

**DATES:** This notice is effective August 16, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have any questions related to this notice, call Mr. Donald J. Kerlin, Deputy Director, Coast Guard National Maritime Center (NMC), Arlington, VA, (202) 493-1006.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 702 of the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006, Public Law 109-241, the Coast Guard is initiating temporary credentialing measures for merchant mariner's documents, licenses, and certificates of registry for individuals who meet the following conditions:

(1) If the individual is a resident of Alabama, Mississippi, or Louisiana, as confirmed by the Coast Guard's Merchant Mariner Licensing and Documentation system, or

(2) If the individual is a resident of any other State or Territory of the United States, and the records of the individual were—

(A) Located at the Coast Guard REC facility in New Orleans that was damaged by Hurricane Katrina; or

(B) Damaged or lost as a result of Hurricane Katrina.

A credential that shows that it was issued in New Orleans, LA, will be sufficient proof that the mariner's records were located at the Coast Guard REC facility in New Orleans for category (2)(A) above.

Because of its international treaty obligations under the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers, 1978, as amended, the United States may not extend STCW

endorsements in this same manner.

Mariners who require such an endorsement must obtain it through the normal procedures as provided in 46 CFR part 10 and 12.

The following measures are applicable to all eligible mariners whose credentials, including Coast Guard-issued duplicates of lost or damaged credentials, have expired, or will expire, during the period indicated within this Notice.

If a credential in a mariner's possession has expired or will expire between August 29, 2005, and April 1, 2007, and the credential indicates that either the mariner's home of record is in Alabama, Mississippi, or Louisiana, or that the credential was issued at New Orleans, LA, then that credential, together with a copy of this Notice, will serve as a valid credential until the Coast Guard issues the mariner a renewal or upgraded credential, or for one year from the original expiration date indicated on the credential in the mariner's possession, whichever occurs first.

A mariner who is a resident of any other State or Territory of the United States, and whose credential was issued at a location other than REC New Orleans and has expired or will expire between August 29, 2005, and April 1, 2007, and whose records were damaged or lost as a result of Hurricane Katrina, should contact any REC for the procedures to obtain official correspondence confirming that the mariner's credential remains valid until the Coast Guard issues the mariner a renewal or upgraded credential, or for one year from the original expiration date indicated on the credential in the mariner's possession, whichever occurs first.

In determining their eligibility for an extension of their credentials under this Notice, mariners are encouraged to seek assistance at REC New Orleans, or at any of the other REC's around the country, a list of which is available through the Internet at <http://www.uscg.mil/hq/g-m/nmc/web/>, and at 46 CFR 10.105 and 12.01-7.

Due to the amount of time it currently takes the Coast Guard to process applications, early application for renewal or upgrade will help ensure that mariners receive their renewal or upgraded credential prior to the expiration of the authorized extension. Mariners who visit an REC to obtain official correspondence confirming that the mariner's credential remains valid, or to conduct any other transaction involving a credential that is within one year of expiration, should apply for a

renewal or upgraded credential at the same time.

**Authority:** Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006, Section 702, Public Law 109-241, 2006 H.R.889, 46 U.S.C. secs. 2103, 7101, 7106, 7107, 7302, 7501, and 7502, and Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.

Dated: August 11, 2006.

**C.E. Bone,**

*Rear Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Assistant Commandant for Prevention.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1657-DR]

#### Alaska; Major Disaster and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of a major disaster for the State of Alaska (FEMA-1657-DR), dated August 4, 2006, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 4, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated August 4, 2006, the President declared a major disaster under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the damage in certain areas of the State of Alaska resulting from snow melt and ice jam flooding during the period of May 13-30, 2006, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (the Stafford Act). Therefore, I declare that such a major disaster exists in the State of Alaska.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide Public Assistance in the designated areas, Hazard Mitigation throughout the State, and any other forms of assistance under the Stafford Act you may deem appropriate. Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance

be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. If Other Needs Assistance under Section 408 of the Stafford Act is later requested and warranted, Federal funding under that program will also be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Director, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Lee Champagne, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared disaster.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of Alaska to have been affected adversely by this declared major disaster:

The Lower Kuskokwim Regional Education Attendance Area, the Lower Yukon Regional Education Attendance Area, and the Yukon-Koyukuk Regional Education Attendance Area for Public Assistance.

All boroughs and Regional Education Attendance Areas in the State of Alaska are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**R. David Paulison,**

*Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management and Director of FEMA.*

[FR Doc. E6-13436 Filed 8-15-06; 8:45 am]

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1656-DR]

#### Ohio; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice amends the notice of a major disaster for the State of Ohio

(FEMA-1656-DR), dated August 1, 2006, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 4, 2006.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this disaster is closed effective August 4, 2006.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**R. David Paulison,**

*Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management and Director of FEMA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Dockets Nos. FR-4800-FA-05, FR-4900-FA-07, and FR-4950-FA-02]

### Announcement of Funding Awards for the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Fiscal Years 2003, 2004, and 2005

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of funding awards.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of past funding decisions made by the Department in competitions for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI). This announcement contains the names of the awardees and the amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Duncan, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Economic Development, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7140, Washington, DC 20410-7000; telephone

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16721  
23 October 2006

Roddy L. LaCour

Dear Mr. LaCour:

This letter is in response to your application for a raise in grade of your Merchant Mariner's License. Your application has been reviewed and approved to examine for the following:

**MASTER OF STEAM OR MOTOR VESSELS OF NOT MORE THAN -1600- GROSS  
TONS UPON INLAND WATERS.**

This approval is valid for one year from the date of this letter. To schedule an exam please contact the exam room at 617-557-9082. The following fees must be paid before you begin your exam:

- \$45.00 Exam fee.

**Required Exam Modules**

**License**

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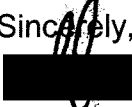
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If you have any questions, please contact me at the above address or telephone number. You may also contact me via e-mail at **Chris.Ahearn@uscg.mil**.

Sincerely,

  
CHRIS AHEARN  
Senior License Evaluator  
U.S. Coast Guard  
By direction of the Officer in Charge,  
Marine Inspection

# Martin International, Inc.

## Certificate of Completion

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**Roddy L. Lacour**

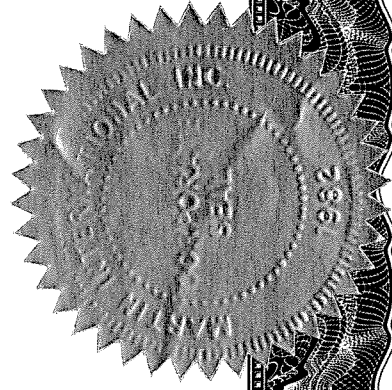
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*The Instructors and Members of the Maritime Security  
Training Committee hereby certify that*

***Roddy Lacour***

*Has successfully completed all requirements in the*

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Ship/Vessel Security Officer  
Training Certification Program***

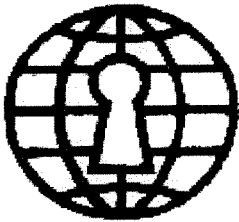
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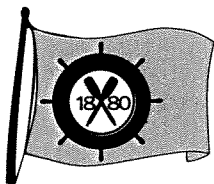
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## BY U.S. MAIL

May 5, 2006

Capt. Roddy L. Lacour

Re: Designated Examiner Letter

Dear Capt. Lacour:


Please find enclosed the original letter from the U.S. Coast Guard's National Maritime Center that recognizes you as a Designated Examiner (DE). It is valid from May 1, 2006 through May 31, 2008. Please make a copy for your records and keep the original with your master's license.

The matrix that is attached to your DE letter specifies what tasks on each Towing Officers' Assessment Record (TOAR) that you are authorized to sign-off. Note that you can sign-off on certain tasks on the Oceans/Near Coastal, Great Lakes/Inland, Western Rivers and Limited TOARS as well as the E.N. Bisso Limited TOAR because they are common to all. For example, you are permitted to sign-off for the examinee's proficiency in locating and demonstrating the use of fire-fighting equipment all on TOARS. However, while you are qualified to sign-off the Western Rivers TOAR line item for the examinee's proficiency of locating the position of the vessel on the Western Rivers you cannot sign-off on the same task in the Oceans/Near Coastal and Great Lakes/Inland TOARS.

What this means in practice is simple. Just check your matrix for the authority to sign-off on each specific task—and then sign off all of them in each TOAR for which you are authorized. If you have questions about any of this, please call and we will discuss it.

Thanks very much for volunteering to share your many years of experience on the Mississippi River to apprentice mates/steersman and licensed newcomers to the towing vessel industry. It's also a great way to properly launch the career of qualified people who work for you. Best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

  
Michael F. Vitt  
Manager, Resources and Projects

w/enc.

cc: employee file

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APR 20 2006

Captain Roddy L. Lacour  
E.N. Bisso & Son, Inc.

Dear Captain Lacour:

Your credentials have been evaluated and the Coast Guard has determined that you are qualified for recognition as a "Designated Examiner" for assessment of competence of candidates for towing vessel licenses.

You are authorized to conduct assessments of individual competence and to sign a candidate's Towing Officer Assessment Record (TOAR) for the assessments noted in Enclosure (1). Until National Assessment Guidelines are developed, you may conduct these assessments using standard assessment criteria guided by company policy and industry practice.

As mariners must now demonstrate their competency in a host of areas to obtain a license or endorsement for service on towing vessels, and eventually a Coast Guard license or document, the U. S. Coast Guard is placing a great deal of trust in your professional competence, judgment, veracity, and behavior.

In performing your function as a designated examiner, you may only use your signature or initials to indicate you have personally witnessed the demonstration of a skill or ability by the person being assessed and have found that individual, in your professional judgment, to be competent under the relevant criteria. This letter will be revoked if you sign or initial a statement attesting to an individual's competence without having personally witnessed a practical demonstration of the individual's skill or ability, which in your professional judgment, meets an acceptable level of performance.

This approval is effective May 1, 2006, and expires on May 31, 2008. At the time of renewal you should be prepared to submit evidence of your continued ability to assess the competence of towing vessel personnel.

We greatly appreciate your willingness to serve as a designated examiner. This role is critical to maintaining high professional standard among U. S. mariners.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Perry A. Stutman", written over a black rectangular redaction box.

for PERRY A. STUTMAN  
Chief, Examination and Course Approval Branch  
U.S. Coast Guard  
By direction

Encl: (1) List of Authorized Assessments